



The Newsletter of the High Country, Tolland Massachusetts

The Tolland Tattler

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NOTICE Budget Hearing

A BUDGET HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE BOARD OF
SELECTMEN at the

TOWN HALL ON MONDAY, MAY 9, 2004 AT 7:00PM

FOR THE PURPOSE OF:

1. Discussion of the proposed 2006 Southwick/Tolland Regional School Budget
2. Discussion of the appropriations for the 2006 fiscal year budgets to be voted on at the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING to be held on MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2004 at the TOWN HALL at 7:15PM.

*Eric R. Munson, Jr.
Chairman, Board of Selectmen*



There will be no issue of the Tolland Tattler for June, 2005.
Publication will resume in July.

From the Board of Selectmen:

A open container will be available for Transfer Station permit holders the weekend of June 4th & 5th. A fee will apply and a list of fees will be posted at the Transfer Station.

The Board of Assessors

There will be no assessor clerk hours on Monday May 2nd because of jury duty. The clerk will be in on Tuesday May 3rd.

Tolland Public Library

Did you see our sign? After all these years, we finally have a sign. Here we are in May. There isn't too much to announce as I am saving our money for all the releases in June. The end of May and beginning of June is traditionally a big release time for the summer books. Some of the books in line will be the new Sue Grafton, a new title by Philip Gulley, and a how to book on scholarships and the college application process. For the younger readers, the new Harry Potter book, the new Artemis Fowl, and the new Eragon. They will all be here at the library.

I am really happy to say that many people have been taking advantage of the new delivery service from Western Massachusetts Regional Library. They have learned that it is an easy and quick way to get the titles which they want.

Here's to hoping for a short black fly season and lots of time in the hammock. Come see our book sale at Black Fly Day.

Tolland Historical Society

Do you like history?

Do you want to be part of Tolland's history?

If the answer is yes, you can help .

We are interested in starting a Historical Society in Tolland and will be setting up an organizational in May. If you are interested , please call the Town Hall any Monday or Tuesday and leave your name and phone number with Margaret or call Eric Munson, Jr. at 258-4590 or email emunsonjr@aol.com We will call you about the meeting date.

Hope to have a great response!

Help Wanted...Life Guard

Part time. Memorial Day to Labor Day 2005. Private association pond beach in Tolland. Light to moderate crowds. CPR, First Aid and Water Safety required. Must be willing to complete necessary training and certification prior to start of duties. Wage commensurate with experience. Please apply to:

Will Greene, WPOA Manager,
254 Beetle Road, Tolland, MA 01034
Telephone: (413) 258-4900.

Articles and Results of Special Town Meeting

March 28, 2005

The following were the outcomes of the Special Town Meeting. Over 40 town residents attended and voted. The Articles are named below, but do not include the language of the March 14, 2005 Warrant. Result of the vote follows each Article.

Article and Result

1. Request for Easement on Town Land by Richard & Jacqueline Dzeidzic of Meadow Lane, Wildwood. Tabled.
2. Town Lease of Town Green for \$1/year. Approved
3. Town entering into consortium to purchase Assessor software. Approved.
4. Move \$2,281.92 in Free Cash for computer expense. Approved
5. Raise & appropriate up to \$170,000 to purchase single axle truck for DPW. Approved.
6. Criminal and Non-Criminal Disposition of Town Bylaw and Regulation Violations (M.G.L. C.40, Sec. 521). Amended to modify enforcement officers for various bylaws. Approved.
7. Denial, suspension, or revocation of license or permit for failure to pay municipal taxes or charges. (M.G.L C 40, Section 57. Approved
8. Bylaw establishing Municipal Charges Lien for failure to pay Municipal Charges.~ M.G.L. C 40, Section 58). Approved
- 9 through 18. Amendment of all existing Tolland Bylaws to remove embedded fines and add paragraph summarizing Non-Criminal Disposition as enforcement method. All approved

Next steps:

All bylaws will be submitted by the Town Clerk to the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for approval and become effective after such approval is received.

The Selectmen will consider forming a committee to review and revise all existing bylaws. It may be that the Attorney General will require it following this review. Volunteers for this committee were invited to step forward.

Thanks to all Involved. Thanks to all Tolland Department Heads, Joanne Duval, Sue Voudren, Margaret McClellan and Gloria Gery, the Board of Selectmen and Town Attorney, Tom Locke, who drafted the new bylaws and amendment and presented them to the Town Thanks to the many residents who attended the March 7th Public Hearing and March 28th meeting to discuss, amend and approve these bylaws which will enable improved enforcement of Town of Tolland bylaws and regulations.

From the Board of Selectmen:

The Selectmen have had several requests for the placement of flags on our telephone poles along RT57. The Board voted unanimously to proceed with the purchase and placement of the flags.

It is the hope of the Selectmen that individuals and businesses would be interested in sponsoring flags. The town will recognize each sponsor at the Town Hall. The cost of one flag is \$20.00.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____

Name to be recognized:

Name to be recognized:

Name to be recognized:

Name to be recognized:

Name to be recognized:

Amount of donation:
\$ _____

Make checks payable to the Historical Commission.

Kindergarten Registration
for
Southwick and Tolland Children

Registration for Kindergarten in the Southwick-Tolland Regional School District for the 2005-2006 school year will be held at the Southwick Congregational Church on College Highway on Thursday, May 5th and Friday May 6th. In order to be eligible for Kindergarten, a child must be five years old by September 1, 2005. As required by Special Education Law, Chapter 766, screenings will be conducted in the areas of hearing, vision, speech/language, and cognitive and motor skills. All parents having an eligible child should call

Woodland School Office
at 569-6598 for an appointment.

Help needed for critically ill child...

Donations, blood, platelets & bone marrow donors sought. How do you explain to your 15 year old son that he has a life threatening disease? How do we as parents face the possible loss of a child in the weeks or months ahead? How do you handle the need for critical and daily medical care, mounting bills and the pressing search for blood, platelets and bone marrow donors? This is the plight that the family and friends of Alexander Snow are currently facing. Alex, the son of Pamela Krupa-Terra of Tolland, MA and Jason Snow of Enfield, CT is battling a severe form of Idiopathic Aplastic Anemia, a rare (1 in 3 million) non-contagious and often life-threatening disorder that results from the unexplained failure of bone marrow to produce all types of blood cells, leaving Alex susceptible to bleeding, debilitating fatigue, infections and ultimately, without blood, platelets and bone marrow donors, death. Alex has only 5% cellularity left of his bone marrow.

Alex now spends most of his time in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at Baystate Children's Hospital and Baystate Regional Hematology/Oncology Cancer Center for children. At this time, Alex has a severely decreased immune system and because of this, his body requires frequent red blood transfusions, as well as platelet transfusions, while waiting for a possible bone marrow transplant. This week Alex starts an intense form of treatment, akin to chemotherapy, in an effort to eventually prepare his body for the possible transplant. The search for blood, platelets, and bone marrow matches are now critical. The family is desperately reaching out to the community for help.

Anyone wishing to give blood to see if they are a matching candidate for blood, platelets or bone marrow and want to help in saving Alex's life should contact the Baystate Medical Center, Blood Donor Center @ (413) 794-4600 and specify the donation is for Alexander Snow. Companies wishing to set up blood drives in Alexander's name should contact Bill Montiglio @ (413) 794-4601.

Benefit dinners and blood drives will also be held in the weeks ahead to help support Alex and his family through this crisis. Anyone wishing to contribute may donate to:

The Alexander Snow Medical Fund Foundation, c/o Westfield Savings Bank
ATTN: January Zomak, P.O. Box 111, Southwick, MA 01077

The family of Alexander Snow wishes to thank those who are participating, and for all of your caring responses.

Saturday June 4, 2005 is the 10th Annual Black Fly Day.

We're looking for Vendors for our "Fly Market", Parade Participants, Volunteers, Donations for the Silent Auction and Raffle, Entertainment, and Program Ads.

This year Black Fly Day's "Fun for Funds" profits will be distributed to Granville-Tolland Citizens Scholarship Committee, Granville-Tolland Lions Club, Sandisfield Historical Society and the Sandisfield-Otis Kiwanis.

This event is sponsored in part by the Tolland Historical Society and the Arts Lottery Council of Massachusetts. Contact Sue Voudren (413) 258-2883 or visit Black Fly Day on our Website www.tolland-ma.gov for more information!

2005 Granville Harvest Fair

Columbus Day Weekend

Applications are now available for artists and craftsmen to apply for booth space at the 24th Annual Harvest Fair, Columbus Day Weekend, October 8,9 and 10.

The following organizations may be contacted by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to:

- Federated Church - Jenny Maceyka, 173 South Lane
Old Meeting House - Coralie Stevenson, P.O. Box 193
Town Green - Linda Blakesley, 397 Main Road
Town Library - Nancy Petersen, P.O. Box 222
Village School - Jennifer Kinsman, P.O. Box 195

Granville, Massachusetts 01034

In observance of Earth Week 4th graders Abigael Deming and Nicole McClellan did a roadside cleanup. They invited their brothers ,sisters, and some friends to help out. In all they had seven participating. In two hours they cleaned approximately 1 mile of roadway. They collected the following items;

- _ 12 large bags of trash
- _ 3 old tires
- _ 2 hub caps
- _ 1 plastic milk crate
- _ 3 plastic pails
- _ 1 basket ball [still bounces]
- _ 1 crumpled license plate
- _ assorted metal
- _ 45 bottles and cans

Job well done to Abigael , Nicole , and their helping hands; Ben Deming, Brittney Munson, Ryan Bredenfoerder, Danny McClellan, and Clayton Deming.

THE SANDISFIELD ARTS CENTER ANNOUNCES ITS 2005 PERFORMANCE SERIES
MARKING ITS TENTH ANNIVERSARY

Sandisfield, MA -- In 1995, a visionary group of concerned citizens formed to save a historic meeting-house/synagogue and turn it into a community arts center. Ten years later, the restored building has become a focal point of community life and a prized destination for lovers of the performing and visual arts. Visitors now come from all over Berkshire, Hampden & Litchfield Counties for unique, quality presentations. Whether in the main hall or intimate, downstairs cabaret, audiences and artists alike cherish the warm ambience and great acoustics of the performance spaces. The Sandisfield Arts Center has become the "best-kept secret in the Berkshires."

The 2005 Performance Series represents a new high standard at the Sandisfield Arts Center. On Saturday, May 28, at 8pm, journey to another world in an evening of South Indian dance and music featuring Lauren Paul, Joseph Getter, David Nelson, and Balraj Balasubrahmanian. In "A concert of Bharata Natyam," Lauren will demonstrate this classical dance form from the Southern part of India encompassing wonderfully complex rhythmic footwork, as well as an elaborate gesture language for storytelling tales of the Indian Pantheon and moving love poems.

Khevre, meaning "friends" or "community", performs on Saturday, June 18, at 8pm. Michael Winograd and Khevre are in the forefront of the new generation of Klezmer musicians. Klezmer is an irresistible, party-inducing mix of Greek, Eastern and Central European music performed at Jewish celebrations. Winograd is one of the young modernists leading a 21st century revival of this Old World music.

For the first time ever, the Sandisfield Arts Center will present a mini Theatre Festival to benefit the Bill Crofut Arts Fund for Children. On Saturday July 2, at 8pm, and Sunday, July 3, at 3pm, Rattler Productions will perform Alfred Uhry's "Driving Miss Daisy" and Athol Fugard's "My Children, My Africa." Formed in 1993, Rattler Productions / A Mixed Co. has enjoyed a series of successes throughout the U. S. with acclaimed productions of Athol Fugard's plays, "My Children, My Africa", "Valley Song" and "Master Harold and the Boys."

The Hartford Brass Quintet comes to Sandisfield on Saturday, August 6, 8pm. Begun primarily as an occasional Sunday night get-together for reading through the quintet literature, the HBQ has emerged as one of the leading brass ensembles in the Northeast. With literature ranging from Renaissance to contemporary, the brass repertoire should resound in the acoustically superior hall of the Sandisfield Arts Center.

Garnet Rogers performs Saturday, September 3, at 8pm. Garnet Rogers has established himself as "One of the major talents of our time". Hailed by the Boston Globe as a "charismatic performer and singer", Garnet is a man with a powerful physical presence and a voice to match. With his "smooth, dark baritone" (Washington Post), his incredible range, and thoughtful, dramatic phrasing, Garnet is widely considered by fans and critics alike to be one of the finest singers anywhere.

Guitarist, Joel Brown, performs in the intimate Cabaret space on Saturday, September 24th at 8pm. His eclectic career has taken him to England to record with the London Symphony, to Carnegie Hall with soprano Dawn Upshaw, and to recital performances with Frederika von Stade. He has appeared at New York's Alice Tully Hall, the Tanglewood Festival, the Chamber Music Festival at Saratoga, Music in the Mountains in British Columbia and New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art. Joel Brown is best known to Berkshire audiences as a long-time collaborator with Bill Crofut and Chris Brubeck.

On, Saturday, October 8, 8pm pianist, Frederick Moyer will delight the audience with his enthusiasm, exacting artistry and adventurous programming. During his twenty-year career as a full-time concert pianist, Moyer has traveled around the globe appearing as piano soloist with world-renowned orchestras. His nineteen recordings comprise works by thirty composers reflecting a wide variety of styles.

The Sandisfield Arts Center is located on Hammertown Road off Route 57 in Sandisfield. Tickets for all performances are \$15 and are available at the door. For more information or reservations call (413) 258-4100, or visit www.sandisfieldartscenter.org.

Just a reminder for all dog owners:

Note:

Susan Voudren, Town Clerk
Joanne Duval, Animal Control

Date: / /2005 4/1/2005-4/30/2006 Tag No.: _____

Issued to: _____ Phone No. _____

Dog Information:

Name of Dog: _____

Breed: _____ Color: _____ Wgt: _____ Age: _____

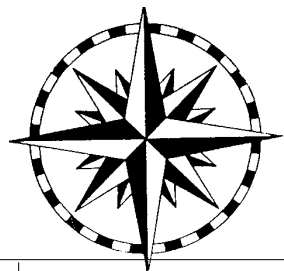
Rabies Vaccine Expiration Date: / /

**Copy of Rabies Certification required.
Proof of Spaying or Neutering required.**

Spayed Female - \$5.00	unspayed Female - \$11.00
Neutered Male - \$5.00	unneutered Male - \$11.00
Kennel Licenses: (4-10 dogs) - \$25.00	(More than 10) - \$50.00

Fee Paid: \$ _____ Cash or Check (Circle one)

Tolland Weather



Elevation: 1500 feet above sea level
For the period: March 19 to April 16, 2005

	MAX.	DATE	TIME	MIN.	DATE	TIME
TEMPERATURE	74	6-Apr	1pm	22	26-Mar	5am
HUMIDITY	100% several times			10-%	15-Apr	2pm
DEWPOINT	52	7-Apr	8pm	0	11-Apr	3pm
BAROMETRIC PRESSURE	30.58	16-Apr	6am	29.28	3-Apr	3am
WIND SPEED/DIRECTION	35mphN	4-Apr	3pm			
WIND CHILL				9	19-Mar	8am
TOTAL RAINFALL	5.36					
TOTAL SNOWFALL	4.5					

Comments: Total snowfall for 2004-2005 season is 87.5"

Tolland Ladies Club News

The next meeting of the Tolland Ladies Club will be held on Tuesday, May 10, 7:30pm at the Tolland Town Hall. We will be planning for Black Fly Day. Our bake sale and food basket raffle have been part of Black Fly Day from the start. Anyone willing to donate a baked item, please bring it to our booth on Saturday, June 4th by 11am or contact Shirley at 258-4255.

Our summer activities are in the planning stage. We will be having a family bingo session, a trip to Tanglewood, and our 2nd annual lunch and garden outing. We are looking for new activities that citizens of Tolland might enjoy, so please help us with suggestions. Contact any Ladies Club member...or better yet, join us at our meetings which are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at the Town Hall.

Tolland Ladies Club

Join us on Tuesday, May 10 7:30pm at the Tolland Town Hall

All are welcome



- Mon. & Tues. - 8:00am to 4:00pm
- Wed. from 8:00am to 12pm



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div>1</div> <div>3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP</div>	<div>2</div> <div>5:00 Bldg.Insp. 6:00pm Selectmen</div> <div>3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP</div>	<div>3</div>	<div>4</div> <div>5-7:00pm DUMP</div>	<div>5</div>	<div>6</div>	<div>7</div> <div>9 - 11:00 am DUMP</div>
<div>8</div> <div>3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP</div>	<div>9</div> <div>5:00 Bldg.Insp. 6:00pm Selectmen</div> <div>7:00pm BUDGET HEARING</div> <div>3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP</div>	<div>10</div> <div>7:30pm Tolland Ladies Club</div>	<div>11</div> <div>6:00pm Finance Comm. Mtg.</div> <div>5 - 7:00pm DUMP</div>	<div>12</div>	<div>13</div>	<div>14</div> <div>9 - 11:00 am DUMP</div>
<div>15</div> <div>3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP</div>	<div>16</div> <div>5 - 6:00pm Building Insp.</div> <div>6:00pm Selectmen</div> <div>7:00Planning Board</div> <div>3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP</div>	<div>17</div>	<div>18</div> <div>5-7:00pm DUMP</div>	<div>19</div> <div>7:00pm 4-H</div>	<div>20</div>	<div>21</div> <div>9 - 11:00 am DUMP</div>
<div>22</div> <div>3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP</div>	<div>23</div> <div>5:00 Bldg.Insp. 6:00pm Selectmen</div> <div>3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP</div>	<div>24</div> <div>7:00pm Board of Assessors</div>	<div>25</div> <div>7:00pm Zoning Board of Appeals.</div> <div>5-7:00pm DUMP</div>	<div>26</div>	<div>27</div>	<div>28</div> <div>9 - 11:00 am DUMP</div>
<div>29</div> <div>3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP</div>	<div>30</div> <div>5:00 Bldg.Insp. 6:00pm Selectmen</div>	<div>31</div>	<div>LIBRARY HOURS:</div> <div>Mon. 3:00pm - 8:30pm</div> <div>Thurs. 11:00am - 4:00pm</div> <div>Sat. 10:00am -12:00pm</div>			

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